

WILDERNESS LESSONS # 18

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Camp # 29 Jotbathah

Nu 33:33 They journeyed from Hor-haggidgad and camped at Jotbathah.

Dt 10:7 From there they set out to Gudgodah, and from Gudgodah to Jotbathah, a land of brooks of water.

Definition:

Goodness; literally beautiful; pleasantness; (root = to make well, happy, successful, right)

Definitions (from Dictionary of Bible Themes)

satisfaction = A state of contentment or fulfillment.

happiness = A state of pleasure or joy

delight = A sense of joy and pleasure

pleasure = A gratifying emotion

joy = A quality or attitude of delight and happiness

Speaks of that which brings satisfaction, delight, pleasure & joy to your life

What happens here:

Dt 10:6-9 (Now the sons of Israel set out from Beeroth Bene-jaakan to Moserah. There Aaron died and there he was buried and Eleazar his son ministered as priest in his place. 7 From there they set out to Gudgodah, and from Gudgodah to Jotbathah, a land of brooks of water. 8 At that time the LORD set apart the tribe of Levi to carry the ark of the covenant of the LORD, to stand before the LORD to serve Him and to bless in His name until this day. 9 Therefore, Levi does not have a portion or inheritance with his brothers; the LORD is his inheritance, just as the LORD your God spoke to him.)

1. Eleazar, the son of Aaron, is the high priest (Dt 10:6).
2. Jotbathah is a land of brooks [rivers] (Dt 10:7).
3. Tribe of Levi is set apart: (Dt 10:8)
to carry the ark of the covenant
to serve Him
to bless in His name.
4. The inheritance of Levi is the Lord [the presence of the Lord] (Dt 10:9)

Application:

Water, brooks rivers; speaks of sources of satisfaction; happiness; delight; pleasure & joy;

Ps 63:1-5 O God, You are my God; I shall seek You earnestly; My soul thirsts for You, my flesh yearns for You, In a dry and weary land where there is no water. 2 Thus I have seen You in the sanctuary, To see Your power and Your glory. 3 Because Your lovingkindness is better than life, My lips will praise You. 4 So I will bless You as long as I live; I will lift up my hands in Your name. 5 My soul is satisfied as with marrow and fatness, And my mouth offers praises with joyful lips. (Job 38:26-27; Ps 42:1-2; 63:1; 104:13; 143:6; Isa 41:17-18; Jn 4:10-14; 7:37-38; Rev 21:6; 22:1, 17)

Isa 55:1-2 "Ho! Every one who thirsts, come to the waters; And you who have no money come, buy and eat. Come, buy wine and milk Without money and without cost. 2 "Why do you spend money for what is not bread, And your wages for what does not satisfy? Listen carefully to Me, and eat what is good, And delight yourself in abundance. (Isa 58:11)

The Lord is the source for all fulfillment in life.

Ps 37:4 Delight yourself in the LORD; And He will give you the desires of your heart.

Ps 103:4-5 Who redeems your life from the pit, Who crowns you with lovingkindness and compassion; 5 Who satisfies your years with good things, So that your youth is renewed like the eagle.

Ps 145:16 You open Your hand And satisfy the desire of every living thing.

Isa 61:10 I will rejoice greatly in the LORD, My soul will exult in my God; For He has clothed me with garments of salvation, He has wrapped me with a robe of righteousness, As a bridegroom decks himself with a garland, And as a bride adorns herself with her jewels.

1Tim 6:17 Instruct those who are rich in this present world not to be conceited or to fix their hope on the uncertainty of riches, but on God, who richly supplies us with all things to enjoy.

We find fulfillment in His presence.

Ps 42:1-2 As the deer pants for the water brooks, So my soul pants for You, O God. 2 My soul thirsts for God, for the living God; When shall I come and appear before God? (Ps 43:3-4)

Ps 84:10 For a day in Your courts is better than a thousand outside. I would rather stand at the threshold of the house of my God Than dwell in the tents of wickedness. (Ps 84:10-12; Ps 17:15; Isa 9:3; Jer 50:19; Jude 24; Rev 7:17)

Ac 2:28 You have made known to me the ways of life; You will make me full of gladness with Your presence. (Ps 16:11; Ps 21:6)

Ac 3:19 "Therefore repent and return, so that your sins may be wiped away, in order that times of refreshing may come from the presence of the Lord;

What is your source of satisfaction (goodness, beauty, pleasantness) in life?

Camp # 30 Abronah

Num 33:34 journeyed from Jotbathah and camped at **Abronah**.

Definition:

Abronah = passage; crossing over; (root - to pass over)

Abronah is feminine; the masculine form is used over 650 times [against, beyond, by, over, passage, quarter, side, other/this side, straight across]. The main idea of this verb is that of movement (from Theological Wordbook of the Old Testament)

Abronah speaks of - In the world, but not of the world

Jn 15:18-20 "If the world hates you, you know that it has hated Me before it hated you. 19 "If you were of the world, the world would love its own; but because you are not of the world, but I chose you out of the world, because of this the world hates you.

Application:

Friendship with the world will make you an enemy of God

Jas 4:4 You adulteresses, do you not know that friendship with the world is hostility toward God? Therefore whoever wishes to be a friend of the world makes himself an enemy of God.

This present age is evil

Gal 1:4 who gave Himself for our sins so that He might rescue us from this present evil age, according to the will of our God and Father,

Former life was of the world

Eph 2:1-3 And you were dead in your trespasses and sins, 2 in which you formerly walked according to the course of this world, according to the prince of the power of the air, of the spirit that is now working in the sons of disobedience. 3 Among them we too all formerly lived in the lusts of our flesh, indulging the desires of the flesh and of the mind, and were by nature children of wrath, even as the rest.

Col 3:2 Set your mind on the things above, not on the things that are on earth.

Love of the world

1 Jn 2:15-17 Do not love the world nor the things in the world. If anyone loves the world, the love of the Father is not in him. 16 For all that is in the world, the lust of the flesh and the lust of the eyes and the boastful pride of life, is not from the Father, but is from the world. 17 The world is passing away, and also its lusts; but the one who does the will of God lives forever.

Pure religion (love of God)

Jas 1:27 Pure and undefiled religion in the sight of our God and Father is this: to visit orphans and widows in their distress, and to keep oneself unstained by the world.

Abstain from fleshly lusts

1Pt 2:11 Beloved, I urge you as aliens and strangers to abstain from fleshly lusts which wage war against the soul.

You cannot serve God and wealth

Mt 6:24 "No one can serve two masters; for either he will hate the one and love the other, or he will be devoted to one and despise the other. You cannot serve God and wealth." (Lk 16:13)

Your pleasures is the source of quarrels and conflicts

Jas 4:1 What is the source of quarrels and conflicts among you? Is not the source your pleasures that wage war in your members?

Greed

Lk 12:15 Then He said to them, "Beware, and be on your guard against every form of greed; for not even when one has an abundance does his life consist of his possessions."

Worry

Mt 13:22 "And the one on whom seed was sown among the thorns, this is the man who hears the word, and the worry of the world and the deceitfulness of wealth choke the word, and it becomes unfruitful. (Mk 4:19; LK 8:14)

Lk 21:34 "Be on guard, so that your hearts will not be weighted down with dissipation and drunkenness and the worries of life, and that day will not come on you suddenly like a trap;

How we live in victory

Transformed by the renewing of your mind

Ro 12:2 And do not be conformed to this world, but be transformed by the renewing of your mind, so that you may prove what the will of God is, that which is good and acceptable and perfect.

Ro 13:14 But put on the Lord Jesus Christ, and make no provision for the flesh in regard to its lusts.

Gal 6:14 But may it never be that I would boast, except in the cross of our Lord Jesus Christ, through which the world has been crucified to me, and I to the world.

Your mindset

Col 3:2-3 Set your mind on the things above, not on the things that are on earth. 3 For you have died and your life is hidden with Christ in God.

Ro 8:7-8 because the mind set on the flesh is hostile toward God; for it does not subject itself to the law of God, for it is not even able to do so, 8 and those who are in the flesh cannot please God.

Promises of God

2Pt 1:4 For by these He has granted to us His precious and magnificent promises, so that by them you may become partakers of the divine nature, having escaped the corruption that is in the world by lust.

Faith overcomes the world

1 Jn 5:4 For whatever is born of God overcomes the world; and this is the victory that has overcome the world--our faith.

Walk by the Spirit

Gal 5:16-19 But I say, walk by the Spirit, and you will not carry out the desire of the flesh. 17 For the flesh sets its desire against the Spirit, and the Spirit against the flesh; for these are in opposition to one another, so that you may not do the things that you please. 18 But if you are led by the Spirit, you are not under the Law.

Grace

Tit 2:11-12 For the grace of God has appeared, bringing salvation to all men, 12 instructing us to deny ungodliness and worldly desires and to live sensibly, righteously and godly in the present age,

We are called to love and serve the Lord

Dt 10:12 "Now, Israel, what does the LORD your God require from you, but to fear the LORD your God, to walk in all His ways and love Him, and to serve the LORD your God with all your heart and with all your soul,